

# Charting the Course to 2025

York County Comprehensive  
Plan Review Steering Committee

July 22, 2004

# Presentation outline

- What is a comprehensive plan?
- Why do we plan?
- A brief history
- Proposed work program and schedule
- Changes since 1999
- What next?

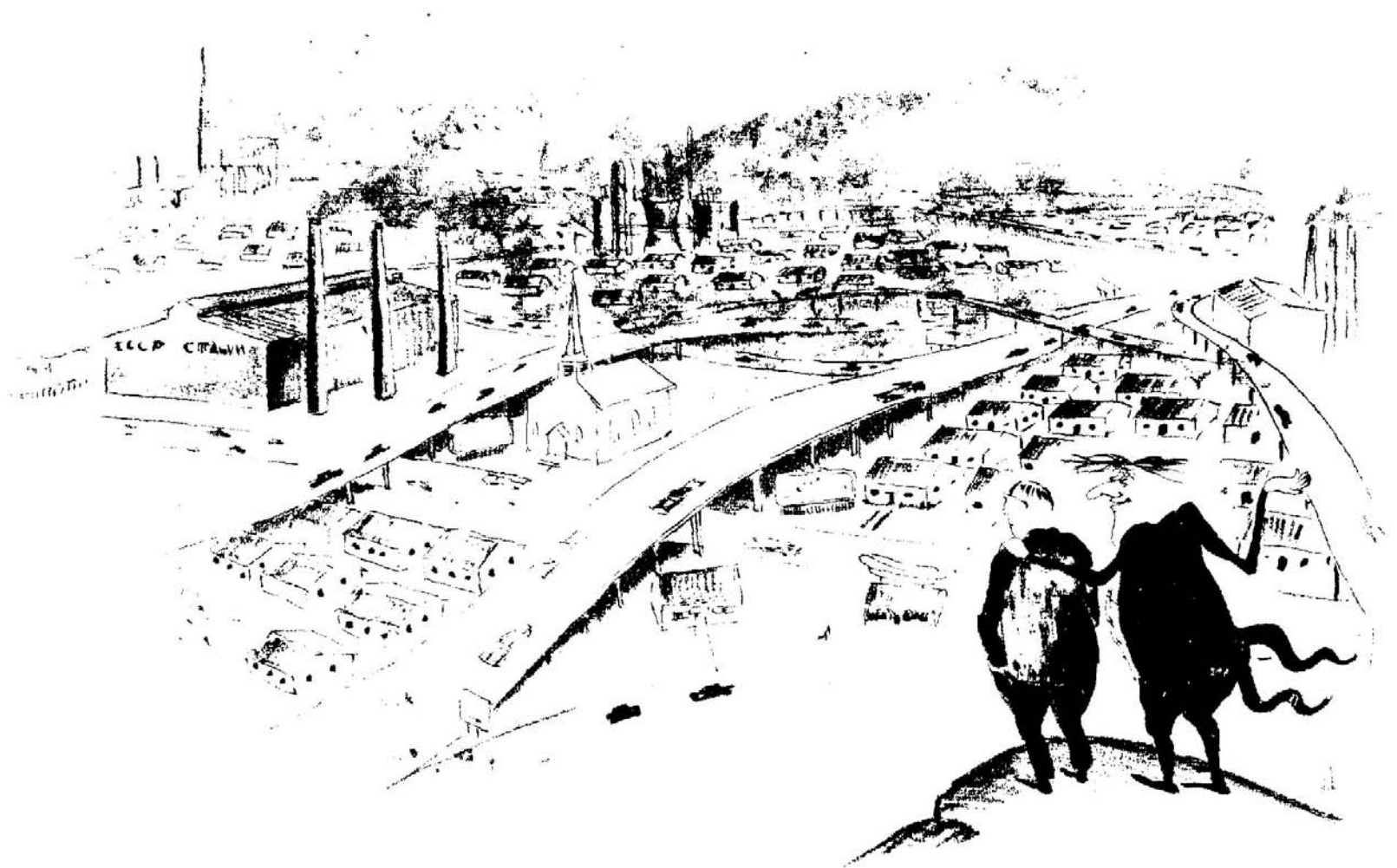
# What is a comprehensive plan?

- Long-range (20 years)
- Physical
- General
- Comprehensive
  - ◆ Geographically
  - ◆ Scope is all-encompassing

# What is a comprehensive plan?

- The plan is a vision
- Community goal-setting
  - ◆ Where are we now?
  - ◆ Where do we want to go?
  - ◆ How do we get there?

# Why Plan ???

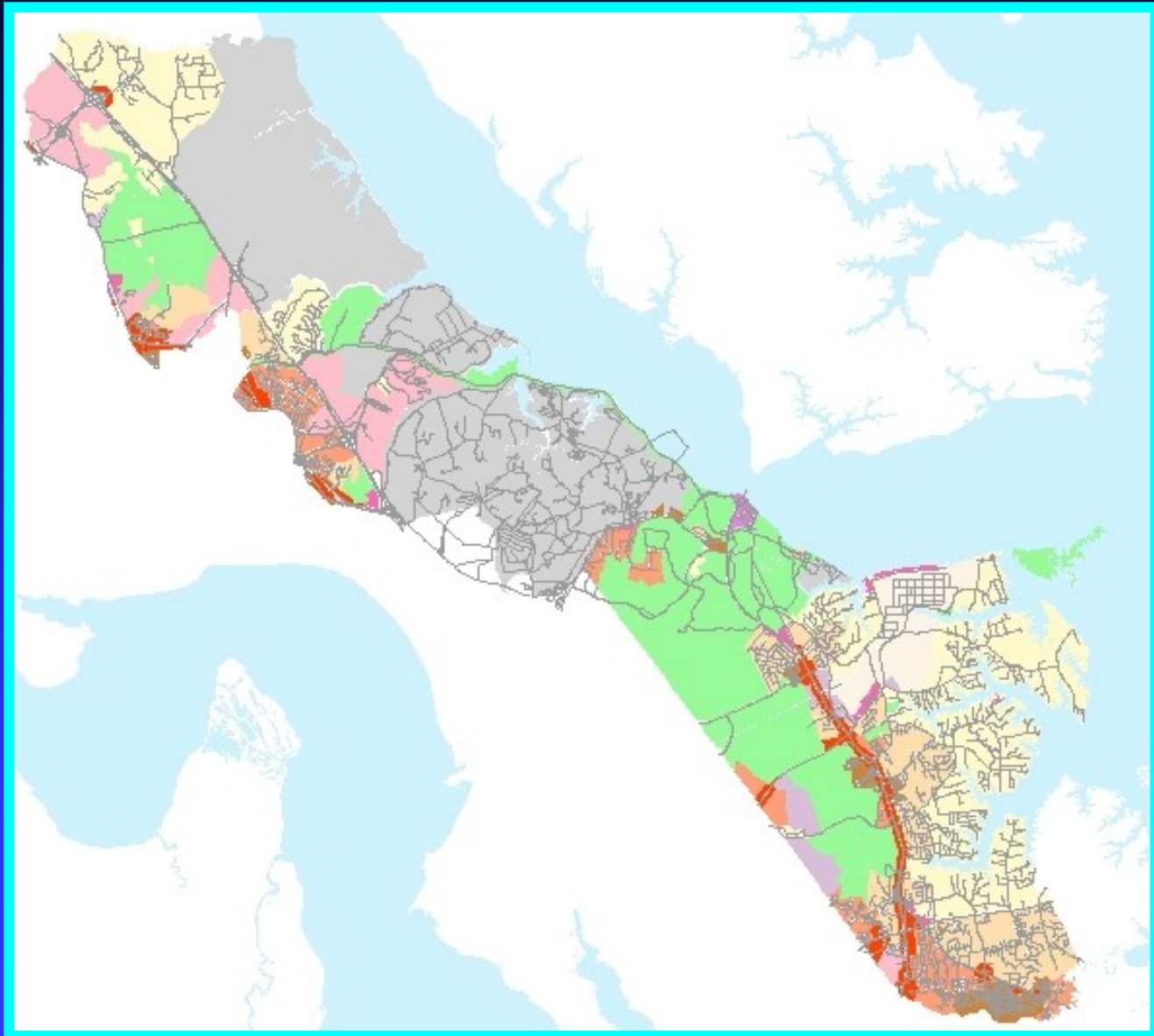


*“Without Planning This Would Have Been a Mess.”*

# Why plan?

- Code of Virginia
- Efficient use of land
- Proper balance of residential, commercial, & industrial development
- Preserve and protect natural resources
- Balance public infrastructure demand and capacity

# 2015 Land Use Map



**Subdivision  
Ordinance**

**Zoning  
Map**

**Zoning  
Ordinance**

**Capital Improvements  
Program**



**Comp  
Plan**



# History of comprehensive planning in York County

- 1956, 1964, and 1967 – Unadopted plans
- 1976 – 1<sup>st</sup> adopted Land Use Plan
- 1978 – Schools Plan
- 1979 – Major Thoroughfares Plan
- 1979 – Fire Protection Plan
- 1983 – New Land Use Plan
- 1991 – 1<sup>st</sup> true comprehensive plan
- 1999 – Update of 1991 plan

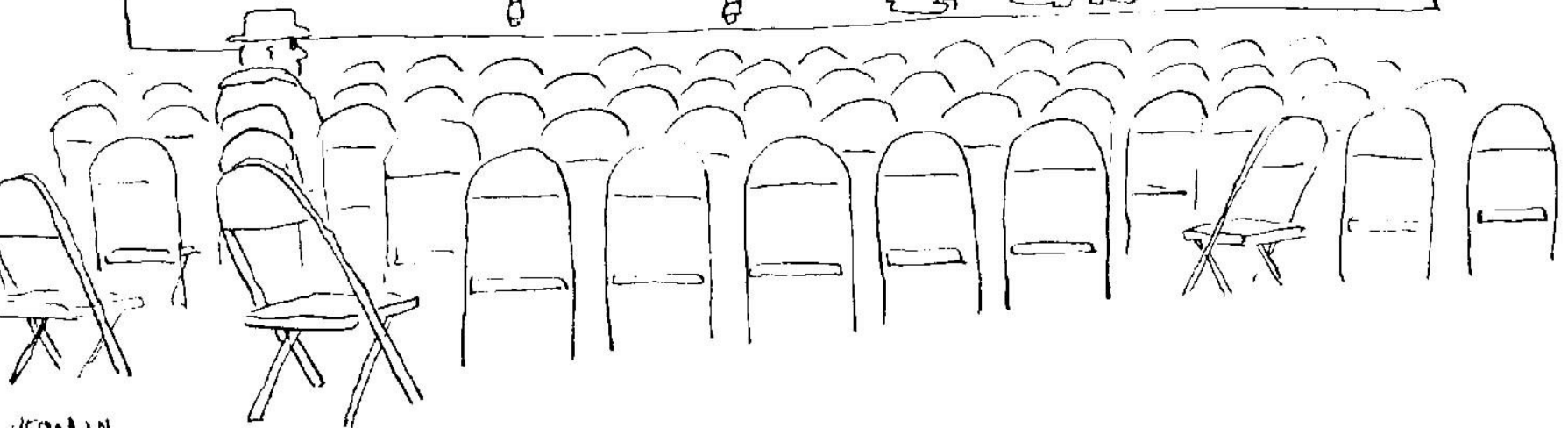
# The Review Process

- Steering Committee
- Communications & Outreach Group
- Neighborhood meetings
- Statistically valid citizen survey
- Comprehensive Plan Review web page

# Project Schedule

- July 2004 – Committee formation
- Sept. 2004 – Neighborhood meetings
- Sept./Oct. – Telephone survey
- May 2005 – Draft plan transmitted to PC
- July 2005 – Draft plan adopted by PC
- Sept. 2005 – Draft plan adopted by BOS

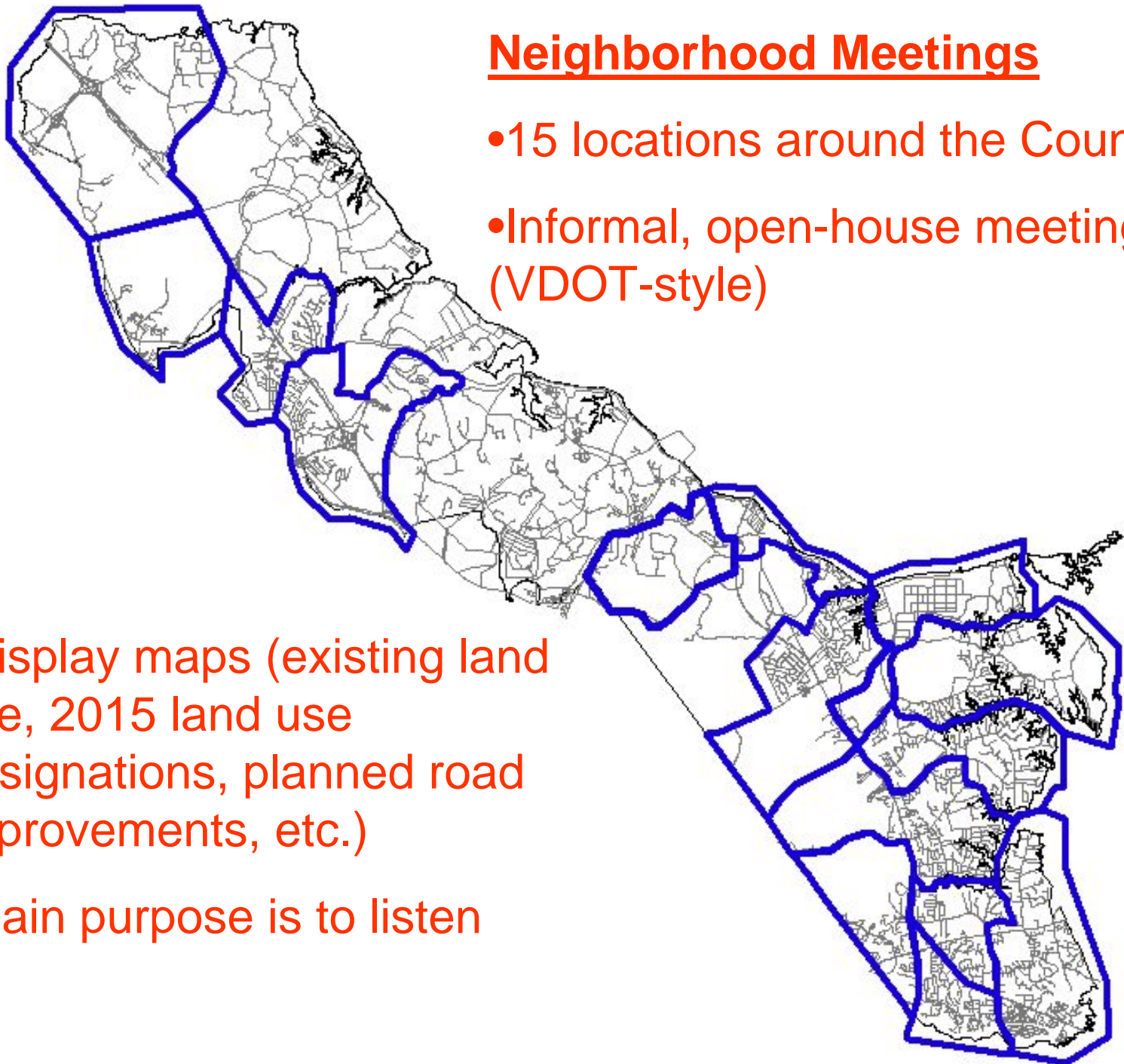
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## Neighborhood Meetings

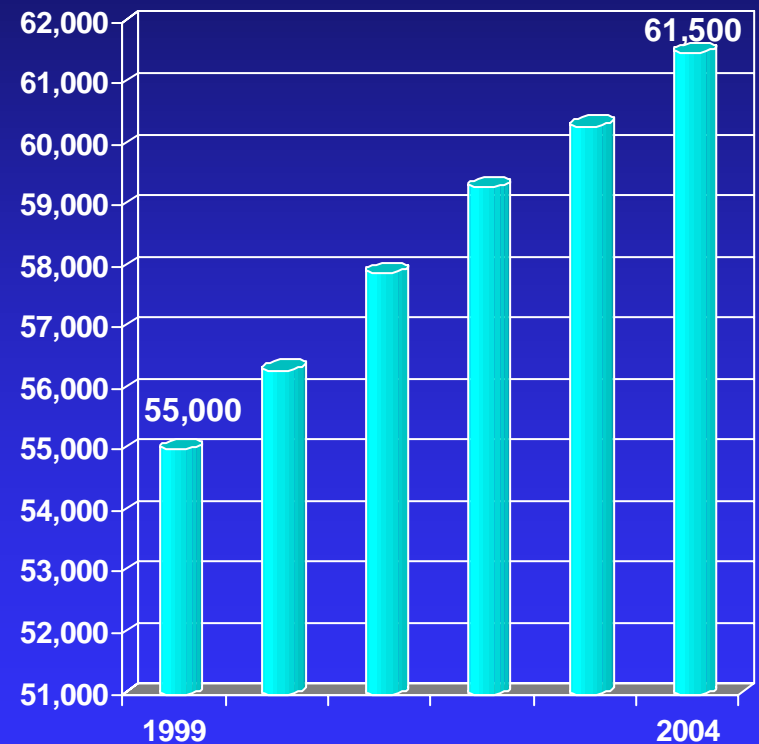
- 15 locations around the County
- Informal, open-house meetings (VDOT-style)

- Display maps (existing land use, 2015 land use designations, planned road improvements, etc.)
- Main purpose is to listen



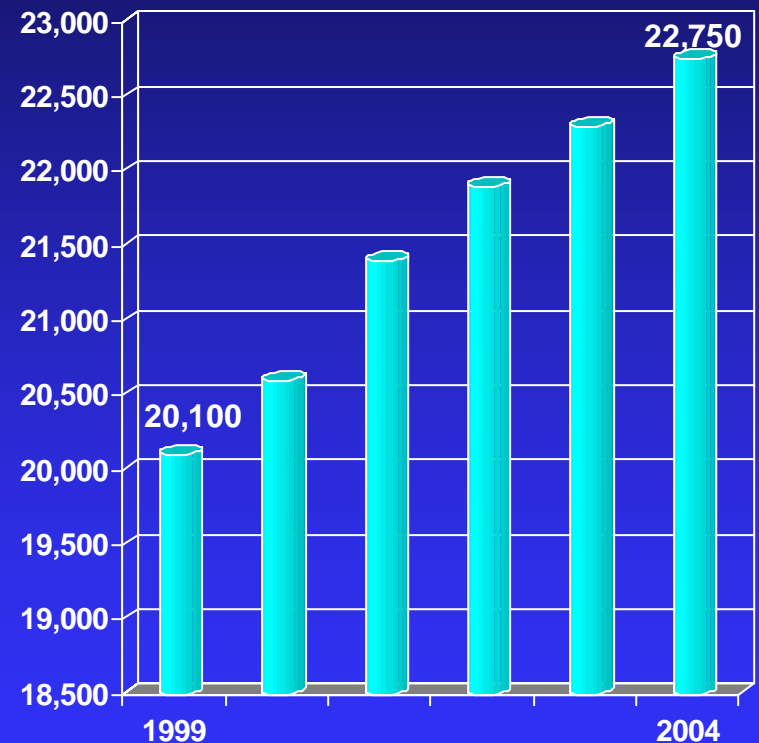
# Population Growth

- York County's population has increased by 12% since 1999 – approximately 6,500 residents



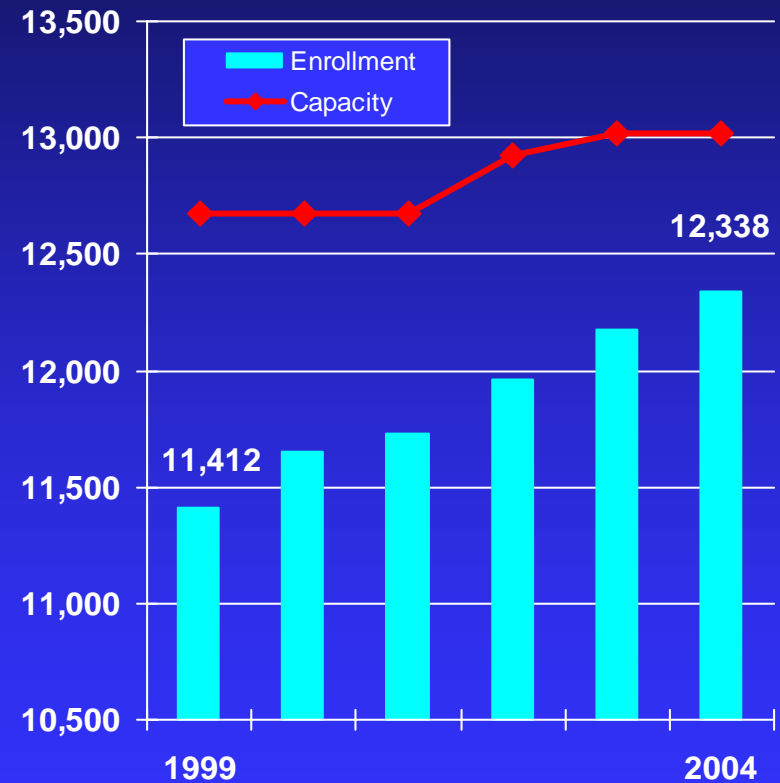
# Housing Growth

- Over 2,600 new housing units have been built since 1999 – a 13% increase
- Approximately 530 units per year



# School Enrollment & Capacity

- Over 900 more students in York County schools – an 8% increase
- 343-student increase in capacity

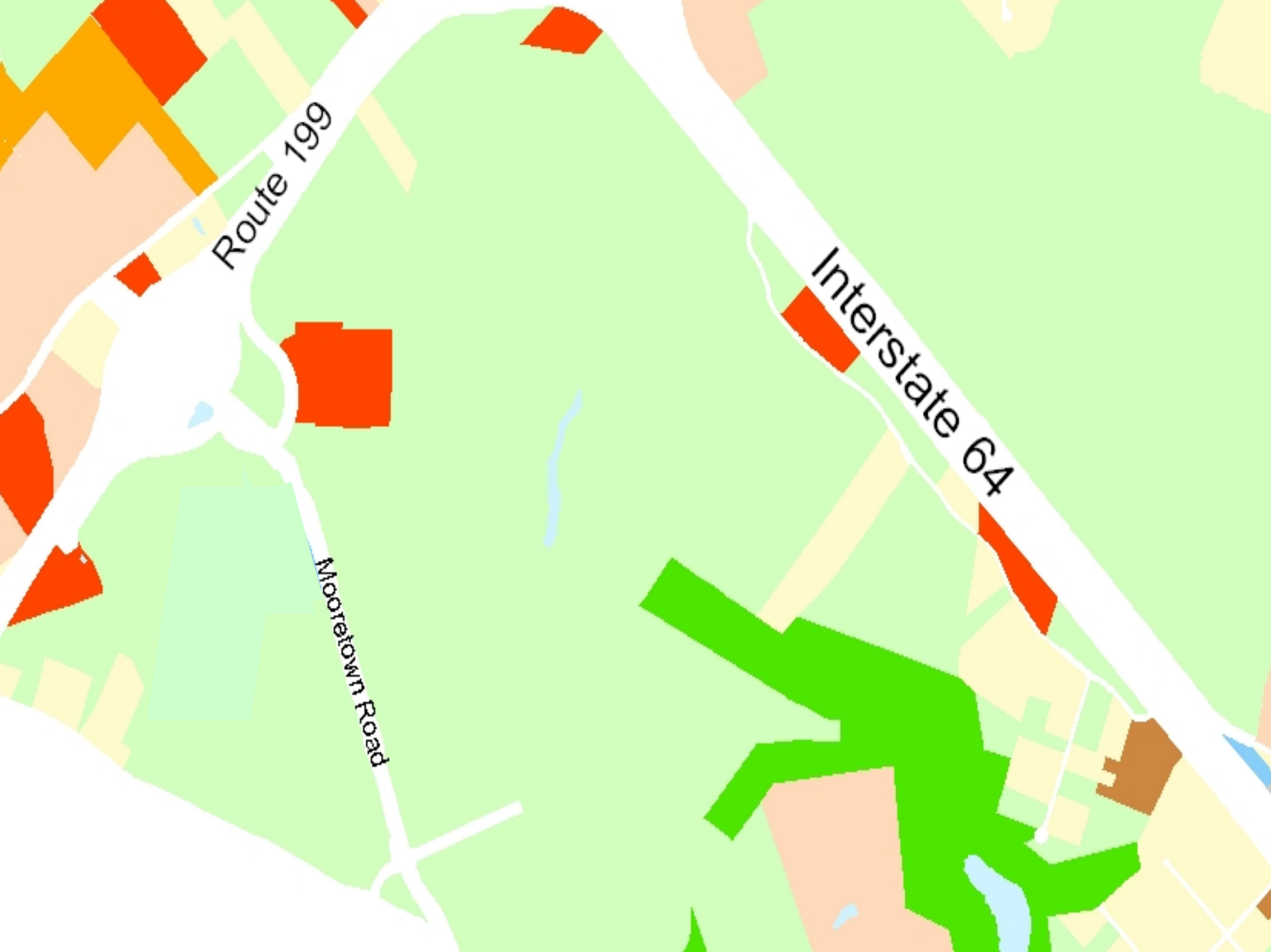




# Retail Activity

- 40% increase in retail sales as of 2003
- Biggest increase on the Peninsula





Route 199

Moorietown Road

Interstate 64

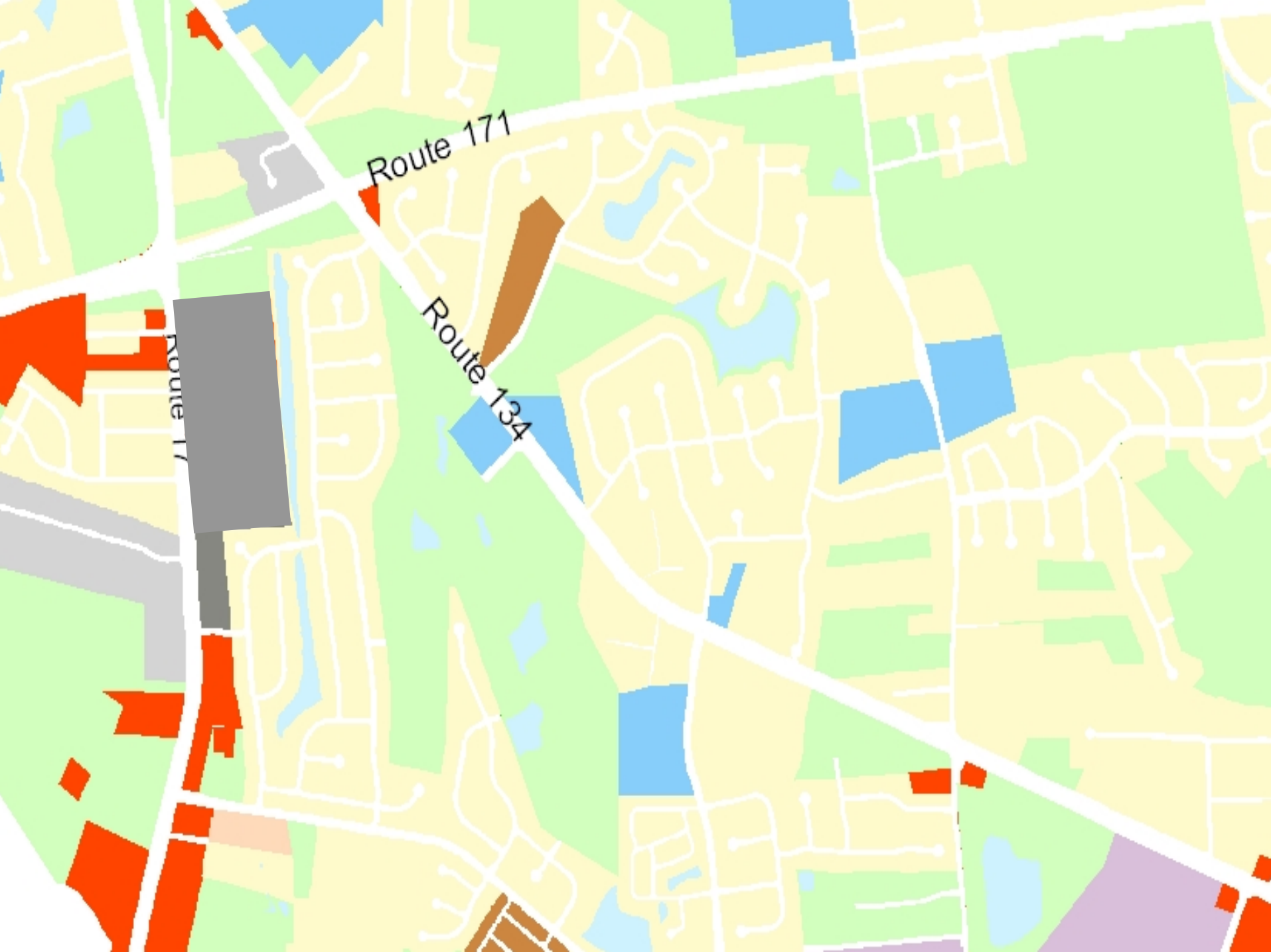


Great Wolf Lodge

Wal-Mart

Williamsburg  
Community  
Hospital

International  
Center



Route 171

Route 134

Route 17



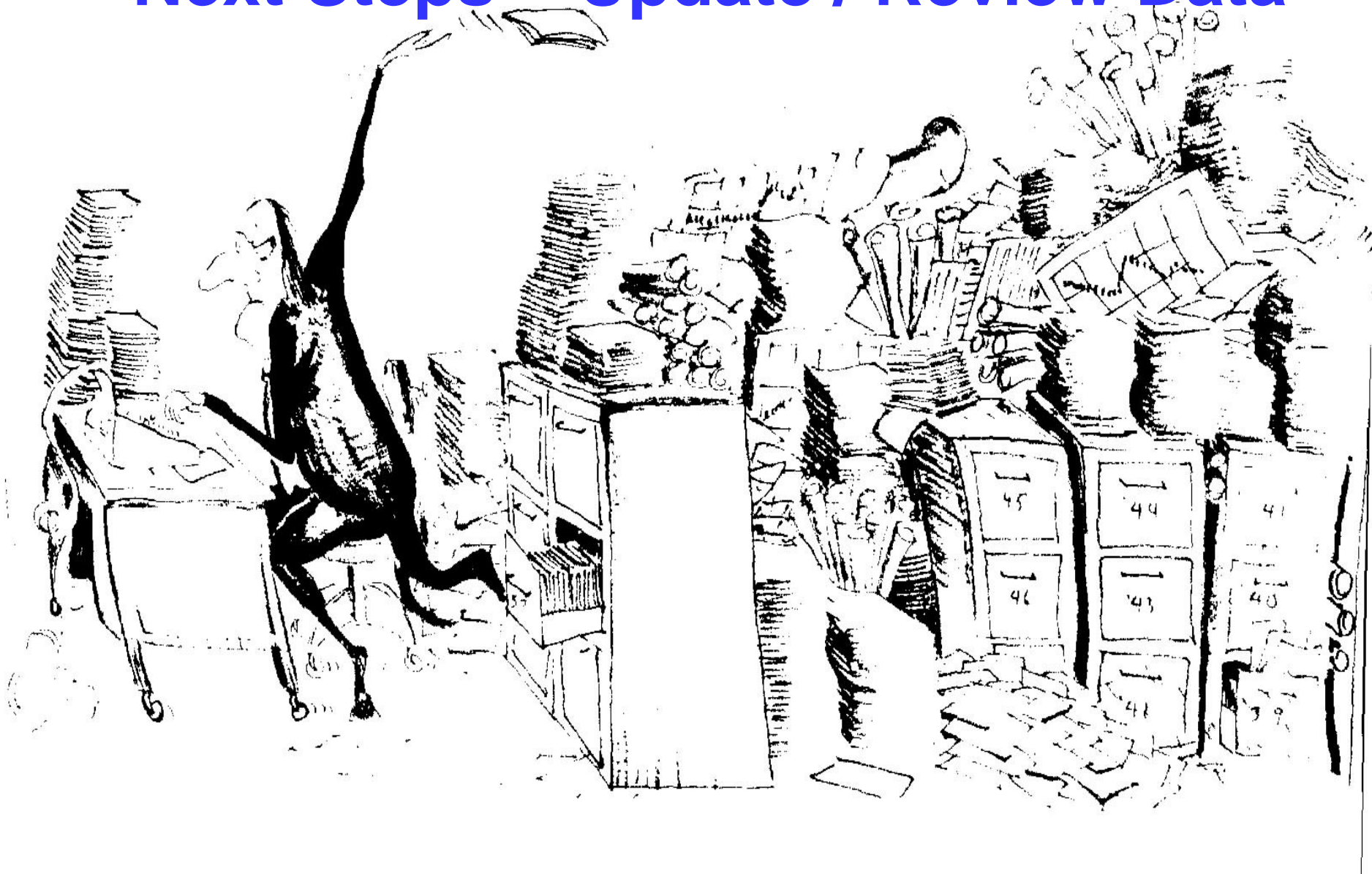
**Wal-Mart**

**The Greenlands**

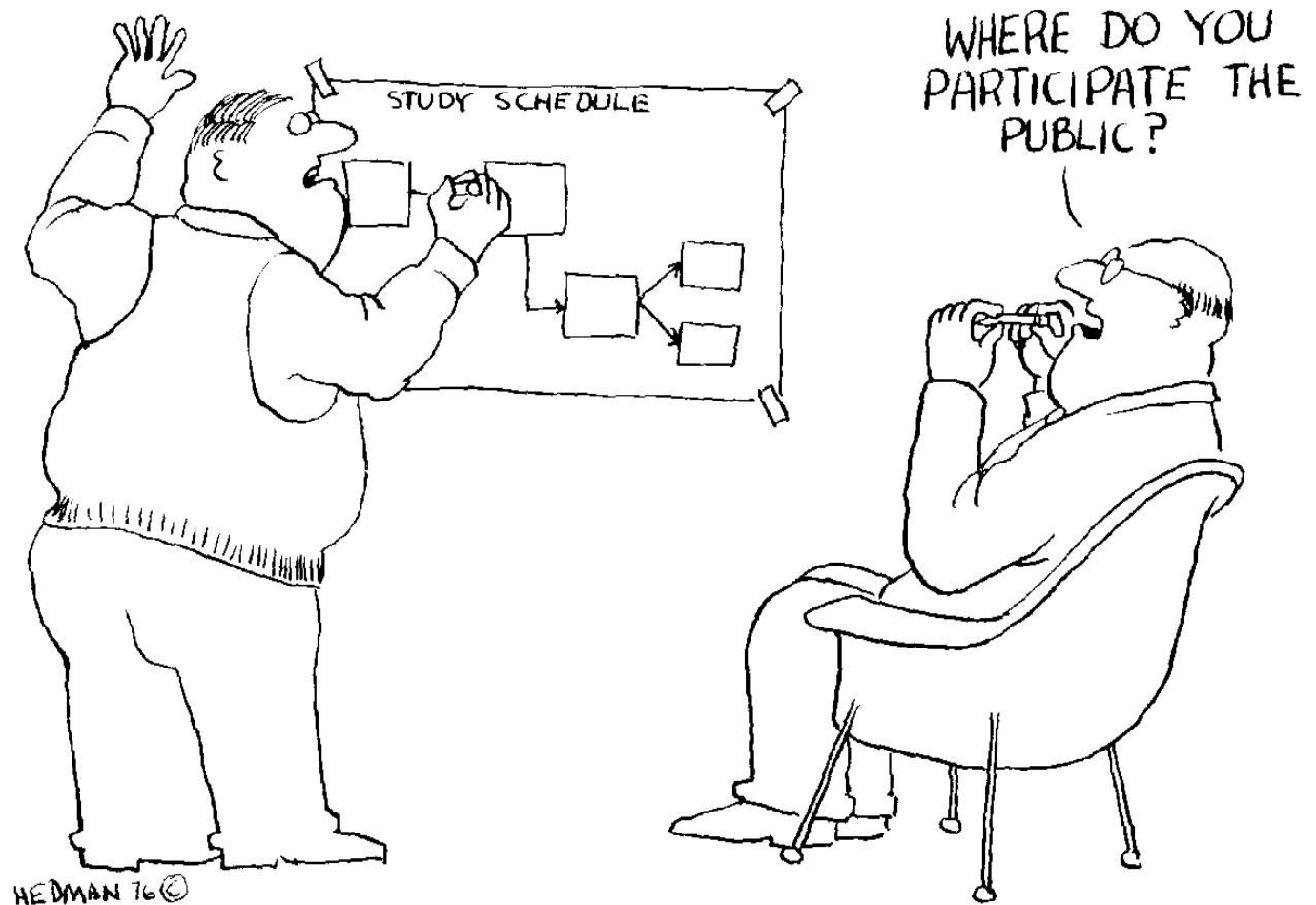
**Belmont Apartments**



# Next Steps - Update / Review Data



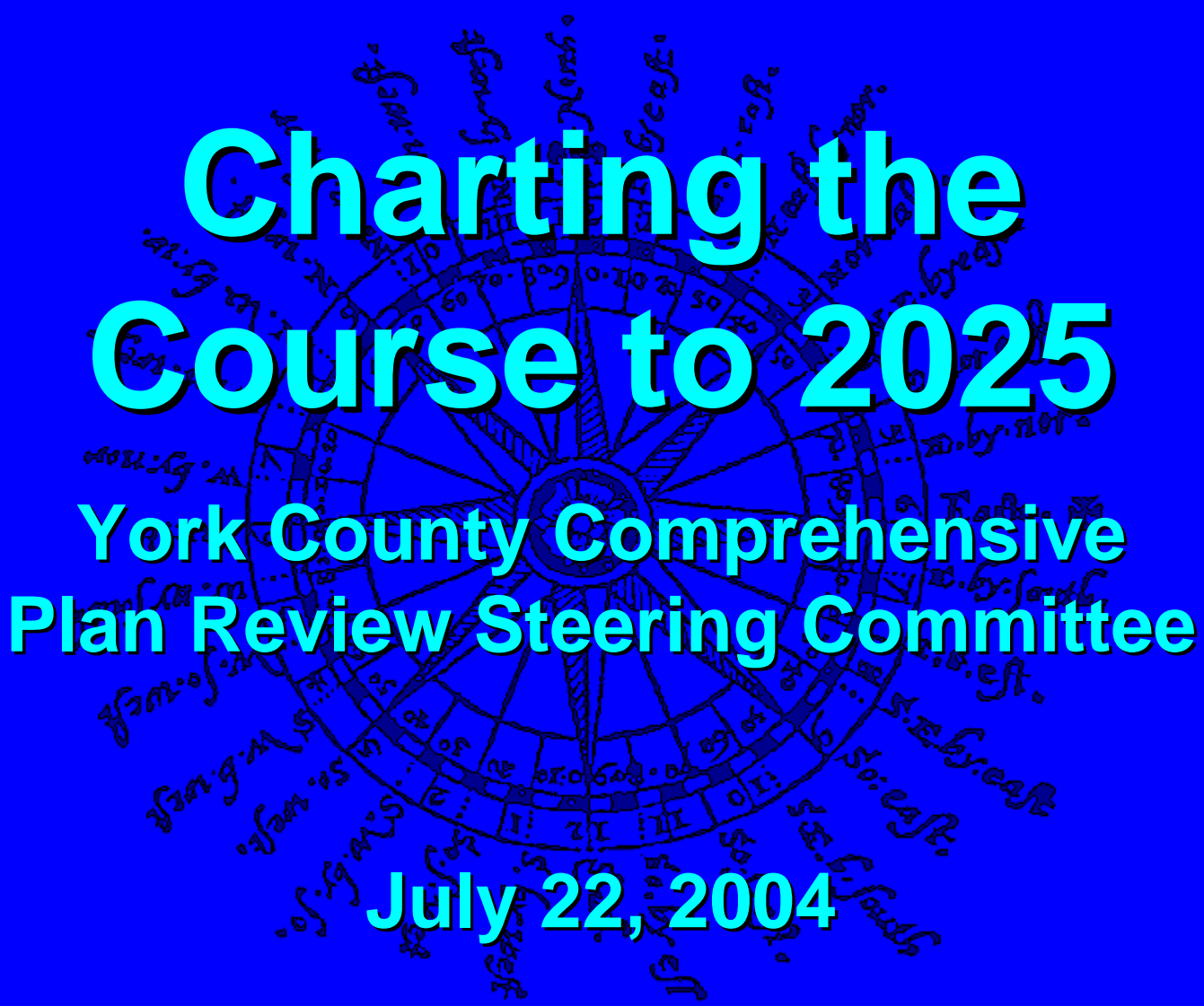
# Next Steps – Public Participation



# Next Steps

- Set meeting with COG
- Develop/Approve questions for public meetings
- Develop/Approve questions for telephone survey
- Set regular Steering Committee meeting day and time (e.g. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm)





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